

UNF Board of Trustees

July 25, 2006

Issue: Resubmission of Legislative Budget Requests

Proposed action: Discussion

Background information: The attached documents provide proposed changes to UNF's LBR requests. When UNF put together its first set of requests for 2007-2008, the University thought that its requests for more teachers and more nurses would become part of a system-wide effort. But based on communication with the BOG staff, the administration learned that the system was taking a different approach: supporting the increase of nursing faculty as opposed to nurses and relying solely on SUCCEED grants for increasing teacher supply.

Because elements of these initiatives were central to our strategic planning, Academic Affairs, in consultation with President Delaney decided to (a) incorporate the most important elements of nursing and teacher preparation into UNF's unique LBRs, (b) reprioritize and recalculate what the University was asking for in two of the other three initiatives (coastal and ecological research and community-based learning) and (c) completely eliminate the request for support for the global health initiative.

Academic Affairs's proposed changes are consistent with the University's strategic plan and the goals established in the plan. The changes are also consistent with the discussion that occurred at the BOT meeting.

The revisions to the LBRs had to be submitted to the Chancellor's Office on Monday July 17. In response to the timeline, the President met with Chair Taylor prior to submission of the proposed revisions.

Supporting documentation: Attached